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PARIS FOR DEA; VIENNA FOR DEA

E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: SNAR OTRA YO
SUBJ: DEA EXECUTIVE OBSERVATION PROGRAM (MATOVIC-YUGOSLAVIA)

1. PLEASE INFORM OLIVANTI THAT MATOVIC ACCEPTS INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN EOP AND THAT SUGGESTED DATES APRIL 24 THROUGH MAY 5 ARE ACCEPTABLE. MATOVIC EXPRESSED SOME HESITATION, BECAUSE OF DEMANDS OF HIS WORK, ABOUT BEING GONE BOTH WEEKEND OF APRIL 22-23 AND WEEKEND OF MAY 6-7, BUT INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO DEPART BELGRADE AS EARLY AS APRIL 21 (WHICH WOULD BE LAST AMERICAN CARRIER BEFORE APRIL 24). EMBASSY NCO RECOMMENDS YOU PLAN FULL TWO-WEEK TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR INITIAL PRESENTATION TO MATOVIC, BUT WITH SOME POTENTIAL FOR SHORTENING IF HE SHOULD INSIST ON THIS POINT. WE WILL RESIST ANY CURTAILMENT BUT BELIEVE THAT EVEN SHORTENED VISIT, AS FIRST BY YUGOSLAV NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL, WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO USG DRUG ENFORCEMENT OBJECTIVES.

2. MATOVIC HAS NOT BEEN IN THE UNITED STATES PREVIOUSLY AND
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THEREFORE HAS NO SPECIFIC REQUESTS AS REGARDS THE CITIES TO BE VISITED. HIS PRIMARY INTEREST IS THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE INTERDICTION OF DRUG TRAFFIC, SEARCHING, RECORD KEEPING AND OTHER CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES. HE SPECIFICALLY INDICATED INTEREST ALSO IN COMPUTER ANALYSIS OF FINGERPRINTS AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS OPERATION. SINCE MATOVIC WAS PREVIOUSLY IN JUDICIARY, HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO TALK

TO OFFICIALS OF DOJ AND COURTS REGARDING PROSECUTION, CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS AND THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE COURTS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. OTHER INTERESTS INCLUDE CENTRAL LABORATORIES AND INFORMATION CENTERS, COUNTERFEITING (WHICH IS ANOTHER OF MATOVIC'S RESPONSIBILITIES HERE) AND ORGANIZATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. EMBASSY WILL SOON POUCH BRIEF BIOGRAPHY.

3. FOR DEA WASHINGTON: SERBO-CROATIAN INTERPRETER WILL BE REQUIRED.

4. FOR DEA VIENNA: MATOVIC IS DISAPPOINTED TO LEARN OF WALTZ'S SCHEDULE CONFLICTS, EXPRESSES HOPE THAT WALTZ WILL BE ABLE TO COME.

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